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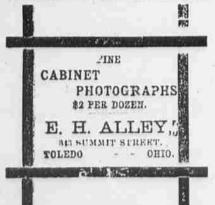
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GOOD-BYE TO THE CRADLE.

Good-bye to the cradle, the dear wooden cradle,
The rode hand of Progress has thrust it aside:
No more to its motion, o'er Sicep's fairs occan,
Our play-weary wayfarers peacefully gilde:
No more by the rythm of slow-meyine rocker
Their sweet, dreamy fancies are festered and

No more to low singing the cradle goes swing-The child of this ora is put into bed!

Good bye to the cradle the dear wooden cradle—
It lent to the twill the a mystical charm:
When bees left the claver, when playtime was

When bees left the clover, when playtime was
over.

How safe seemed this shelter from danger
and harm:

How seft seemed the pillow, how distant the
calling.

How world were the voices that whispered
around:

What dreams would come flecking, as recking
und rocking.

We fleated away into slumber profound.

Good-bye to the cradle, the old wooden cradle.
The babe of the day does not know it by
sight:
When day leaves the border, with system and
order
The child goes to bed and we put set the
light.
I bow to Progression: I ask no conceesion,
Though strewn be her pathway with wrecks
of the past
So off with old lumber, that sweet ark of
signific. slumber.
The dear wooden cradic is ruthlessly cast.
—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Women Friends.

Men are very apt to sneer and comment unfavorably upon the genuine-ness of women friendships. They scoff at the idea of a union between two feminines that is not besmirched by jealousy and envy. They cannot seem to realize that enduring friendship can and does exist in the heart of one woman for another. Damon and Pythias were all right, of course. They were men, and in their mental make-up there was no desire to outdo the other, but modern man, in his know-it-all style of jumping to conclusions, declares that the question of dress, if nothing else, would forever preclude the possibility of two women remaining friendly for more than a year at the outside.

This is a false and lowering estimate of weman's nature, as there are many who can testify to enduring compacts began in youth and lasting through all the years up to the period of sld age. All the nobility and staunch reliance that cements friendship is not centered in the masculine composition. There are many women so constituted that a sentiment involving any more than friendship is beyoud them, and there are again many more who can be the truest wives and mothers and the most loyal friends as

The true woman friend is the dearest of all created beings, whether she be, says the Philadelphia Times, a friend to man or to one of her own sex. She is forgiving and trusting always. She is appreciative and con-genial in health, and the tenderest nurse in sickness. In prosperity she does not fawn upon you, but rejoices with you, and in adversity she shows the metal she is made of and sticks to you though others may turn the cold shoulder upon you.

Every woman, no matter how much she may be beloved by husband or sho may be beloved by husband or parents, desires a feminine confidente of her own years who is to be depended on when lights and shadows cross life's pathway. The relation of friendship that exists between many women for years is one of the pleasantest spots in all the rugged journey. Real friends are few, and the woman who finds one and keeps the woman who finds one and keeps her is blessed with a jewel as rare and precious as those whose money value is above computation.

Hungarian Boauties.

The Hungarian women are among the most beautiful in the world. They are not languished, diaphaneus creatures, composed of cobwebs and the odor of musk, with a sickly pallor or a heetic flush in thoir cheeks. Not Erect and straight as a candle, bearty and vigorous to the core, they are pictures of good health and abounding vitality. They are gifted with amalifect, full arms, plump hands with tapering flugors, and wear long braids. The sun has spread a reddish-golden tint or a darker tone over the complexion. plexion.

The Hungarian woman is not a beauty of classical contour, nor does she, perhaps, frequently present a riddle to the psychologist, and ethereal poets will scarcely find a theme in her for hypersentimental reverles. She is rather the vigorous embodiment of primeval womanhood. As her ex-terior, so her whole character is enchantingly fresh and positive. She wine, takes naturally to swimming, dancing, gymnastics and has not the least objection to be admired. Grace and beauty knows no difference between high and low, and often bestow upon a poor bare-footed, shortskirted peasant girl (with her face framed in a 'kerchief tied under the chin) the same enchanting form, the same graceful walk the same magically attractive glance as upon

her more favored sister.

White Stockings. The flat has gone forth in England calling the white stocking back into vogue. When it comes to fashions in feminine apparel, England is particularly infelicitous. Our pretty, tasteful fashions all come from Paris. White stockings have never gone out in Germannian fashions all come from Paris. White stockings have never gone out in Germany; tabooed alsowhere, they have continued in favor with the average Teuton frau. And in England, the older ladies have continued to wear white cotton hosiery. It is well known that Mrs. Gladstone has never pressed her nother limbs in any but incased her nether limbs in any but white cotton stockings. But the white stocking is a horror—an offense unmitigated and not to be palliated. The one article of feminine dress in

which man's taste is properly deemed infallible is the hosiery, and in America mankind is a unit against the

Mrs. Younghusband's Marketing-"How much are your red raspber-

It was a young wife who made the inquiry at one of the stores where fruit is sold in great variety and abundance. She had just begun to master the intricacies and difficulties of housekeeping, being recently re-turned from her wedding tour, and turned from her wedding tour, and was therefore doing the marketing in person. She had heard and read something of the way most men do marketing—over the telephone, without regard to price, quality, and often quantity—and she had wisely concluded that if they made Henry's salary furnish the pantry, the coal bin, the clothespress, and the roof for their heads she had better do the buying, and it was on better do the buying, and it was on one of these expeditions when she asked the fruit dealer how much his red raspberries were a quart.

"Fourteen cents, and they are very fine enes," he replied briskly. "How many will you have?" "I'll take a quart, please, and you may pour them right in this measure,"

she replied, as she took the wrapper from a little parcel she held in her hand, and which proved to be a new

The dealer said never a word as he put the contents of the two so-called quart baskets, with the exception of a little handful, into the quart cup and rang up fourteen cents on the cash register. But after the wise little Do not miss woman left the store the sign on the red raspberries was changed to read "fourteen cents a box."

Give Baby flot Water.

It cannot fail to be a matter of in-terest to mothers to know that the water, administered internally, will often relieve baby entirely when suffering from vomiting and purging, says Dr. Connell in the Jenness-Miller Magazine. I have also tried it with infants who were emaciated from non-assimilation of food and with those given to convulsions, with the most astonishing results.

Hot water is a stimulant, a food, an

antiseptic and a sedative, when all assimilative functions are suspended. When baby is purging and vomiting badly give up all food and fill the child with hot (not warm) water. given in small doses for twenty-four hours. The water flushes and cleanses the stomach. After a few doses add a pinch of salt to the hot water, and, if the child takes it more readily, a very

little sugar. Occasionally a child whose stomach is in such a delicate condition that it has retained nothing for some time will throw up the first hot water given, and retain the second or third dose; persisted in, this treatment will naually induce quiet sleep and recovery. I hope that mothers who have fretful, sleepless, weak stomached bakes will sleepless, weak stomached babes will try this simple but most effectual remedy.

Hard to Couquer.

There's the girl who's stuck on fencing, and the sfrl who's just commencing to be somewhat interested in the art of self-defense;

defense;
There's the cirl who's good at riding, and the girl who takes to striding over leagues of dale and mountain with energy intense.
There's the girl who worships rowing, and the one who's fond of showing a markismanship astounding in a person of her sex;
There's the girl who's always ready, with a nerve both true and steady, when woeful dangers threaten or difficulties yes.
But despite the manly carriage and the open scern of marriage, which the independent ladies seem to think so very nice.
You may, perhaps, have noted that they're

You may, perhaps, have noted that they're very soldom quoted as having lost completely their inherent fear of mice—Detroit Tribune

Potato Croquettes.

These are difficult to make, because possessing considerable moisture, they are liable to swell in frying and either burst or absorb grease. If they are carefully made and covered, and then allowed to stand for a short time before frying, they should be no trouble.

Veal Cutlets.

Have them cut thin, cover with boiling water, stand for ten minutes, drain and wipe dry, cover with egg and bread crumbs, and saute.

Women Everywhere.

Lizzie Franks, who years ago traveled with Barnum's circus for many seasons as "Titania, the Fairy Queen," and always drew crowds be cause of her diminutive stature, is now an inmate, of a Philadelphia almshouse, and has been since August 28,

Mrs. Lewis Rice of Frederic, Md., has collected enough money to place a suitable monument over the grave of Francis Scott Key, author of "The Star Spangled Banner." A flat marble slab marks the place where he lies in Mount Olivet cemetery, Wash-ington D. C. There is a very handsome monument to Key in Golden Gate park, San Francisco.

The death has just taken place of Miss E. J. Crop, at Keynsham, England. She was the first inde who crossed the Atlantic from England in a steamer. On April 8, 1838, she sailed from Bristol in the Great Western, under the command of Cap-tain Hosken, P. N, who obtained special permission to command a merchant vessel. The voyage was accom-plished in fifteen days. Miss Crop was the only lady passenger on board.

Chicago's lady manager at the fair Mrs. Cheltain, wife of General A. L. Cheltain, who was for four years consul-general to Belgium. Mrs. Cheltain is one of the leaders in liter-ary circles in Chicago, and her work on the board of managers is arduous. She is pledged to receive guests with Mrs Potter Palmer in the reception room of the Woman's building twice a week. She has the charge of the press work there; the duty of making out the program of entertainment is hers, and the work of receiving or rejecting

late exhibits is also left to her. The colossal institution in Paris known as the Bon Marche was founded by a remarkable woman, Mme. Bouci-caut, called by Parisians 'the Lady of the Bon Marche." The pension fund which Mme. Boucicaut created with a gift of \$1,000,000 from her own private fortune, is used in the support of the employes forced to retire through age or illness. With all her great wealth and commercial power the "Lady of the Bon Marche" remained to the day of her death a plain, unpretentious woman, with a kind, motherly manner and genial ex-

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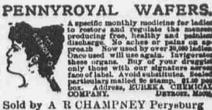
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